

BEECH GROVE CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
Monday, February 6, 2023

Mayor Dennis Buckley called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Roll Call-

City Council Members Kevin Day, Dave Harrison, President Pro-Tem Robert Ferguson, Elizabeth Lamping, and Ryan Matkins were present. Also, present were Mayor Dennis Buckley, Clerk Treasurer James Coffman, and City Attorney Craig Wiley. Councilors Buddy Templin and Kara Ferguson were absent.

All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag. Invocation was presented.

Moment of Silence was observed.

Special Presentations-

BGHS- Bowling Team Recognition

BGMS 7th Grade Basketball Team Recognition

Project Update for 2023- Mayor Buckley

2022 Annual Report- Beech Grove City Court, Judge Wells

Committee Reports-

RDC Report- Matthew Kochevar

Financial Report- Clerk Treasurer, James W. Coffman- Attached to the report were recent ARPA invoices and an updated EXCEL spreadsheet showing all activity within the ARPA fund. Also attached was a list of unclaimed warrants that were written in 2020 but never cashed. Claims were cancelled and receipted back in their respective funds, per IC 5-11-10.5.

Current bank balances are listed below-

City Corporation \$6,497,030.66

ARPA Fund- \$1,296,259.13

Utilities \$1,897,932.23

Criminal Investigation Fund (CIF) \$944,979.00

RDC General \$792,254.64

Police Station – Deputy Chief Mercuri provided an update.

Approval of Minutes-

January 3, 2023- Councilor Matkins made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Councilor Robert Ferguson seconded the motion, which was approved by unanimous voice vote of five to zero.

Public Comments-

None

Old Business-

None

New Business-

Resolution #2, 2023, Interlocal Association Continuance- Resolution #2, 2022 is a resolution that approves the continuation of the City of Beech Grove’s participation with the Interlocal Association for the next five years. This Interlocal Association helps fund employment training and programs throughout the nine regional areas. Councilor Lamping made a motion to approve Resolution #2, 2023, Councilor Day seconded the motion, which was approved by unanimous voice vote of five to zero.

Comments-

Councilor Kara Ferguson- Absent.

Councilor Matkins- Congratulations to the basketball and bowling teams. Local citizen reached out about sewage repairs and the right of way costs to make the repairs, which is common practice across the City.

Councilor Lamping- February is Black History Month, please celebrate and learn about the history in our country. Also, consider taking up a heart healthy habit for American Heart Month!

Councilor Robert Ferguson- Thank you for coming tonight, it was nice to see a full house again. Good to see so many young kids participating in extra circular activities instead of staying home. Also, great to see the City will be investing another \$600,000.00 in sewer and manhole repairs in 2023, in addition to the many dollars already invested. I recently reviewed the Lucas devices with the EMS and was impressed by both the equipment and our EMS personnel.

Councilor Dave Harrison- Thanks for coming. Congrats to the bowling and basketball teams. Provided a high school basketball update. Talking about bowling, Kevin Day’s son is quite the bowler as well.

Councilor Day – Thank you for coming. Congratulations to the basketball and bowling teams. Also, great job to the Police Department for their event last weekend.

Councilor Templin- Absent.

Mayor Buckley- The next Council meeting will begin discussion on the second phase of the new Police Department, the state-of-the-art gun range. We will discuss costs, funding and more at this important meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Harrison moved to adjourn the meeting; Councilor Matkins seconded the Motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Dennis B. Buckley, Mayor

James W. Coffman, Clerk–Treasurer